

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2007-332-WS - ORDER NO. 2007-829  
NOVEMBER 19, 2007

IN RE: Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc.     )  
for Approval of a Contract with Mercedes     )  
Homes, Inc. to Serve Phase II of the Harpers     )  
Mill Subdivision in York County     )

ORDER APPROVING  
CONTRACT

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. (“CWS” or “Company”) for approval of a contract with Mercedes Homes, Inc. (“Developer”). The Company and Developer have entered into an agreement for water and wastewater service dated August 14, 2007.

The Applicant proposes to serve the Harpers Mill Subdivision Phase II (“Development”), which will consist of approximately one hundred seventeen (117) townhomes when completed. The Agreement provides, *inter alia*, that the Developer will construct all of the necessary water distribution and wastewater collection facilities required to serve the Development, interconnect the facilities with CWS’s existing water and wastewater systems, acquire all necessary easements and rights-of-way, and convey such facilities and easements to CWS.

According to the Application, the proposed development is within the Company’s authorized service area in York County, and no other public utility is authorized to serve the proposed development.

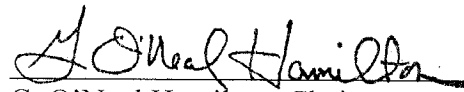
Pursuant to the Agreement, CWS has agreed to reserve adequate utility capacity for up to one hundred seventeen (117) water and wastewater connections located within the Development, and the Developer has agreed to pay to CWS the water and wastewater service connection and plant impact fees for the service. CWS submits that the provision is warranted and in the public interest as the terms of the contract allows CWS to adequately engage in planning for operations. CWS further submits that the public convenience and necessity will be served by the approval of the agreement.

The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) advises that it has reviewed CWS' Application and does not oppose approval of the Application.

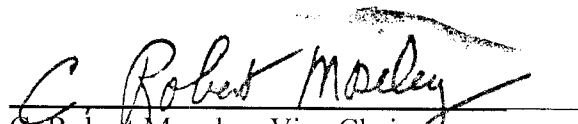
The proposed development to be served is in the service territory of CWS, and no other public utility is currently authorized to serve the proposed development. We find that public convenience and necessity will be served by approval of the contract between Carolina Water Service, Inc. and Mercedes Homes, Inc. to serve Phase II of the Harpers Mill Subdivision in York County. We therefore approve the Application and the contract as filed.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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